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SUBJECT: SMI/SFCP - FC 70174900 - PREHISTORY OF WESTERN DESERT;
DR. WENDORF (SMU)

REF: (A) STATE 32011, (B) CAIRO 1422, (C) STATE A-64

1. SMI CORRECT IN NOTING REDUCTION IN FEES FOR DR. ROUSHDI SAID
IN 1976 VS 1975 GRANTS. 1975 AUTHORIZATION OVERLOOKED IN EARLIER
REVIEW. SCIATT REGRETS ERROR. IN VIEW OF CONTEXT AND EXPLANATION
(REF A), PAYMENT WILL BE PROCESSED PER REF C.

2. WE REMAIN CONCERNED, HOWEVER, ABOUT AMOUNT OF COMPENSATION PAID
DR. SAID WHICH TOTALS \$13,700 (IN LE) FOR TWO YEAR PERIOD. SMI
PAYMENT LEVELS, AS REPRESENTED BY THIS CASE AT LEAST, APPEAR
SIGNIFICANTLY HIGHER THAN THOSE OF OTHER USG AGENCIES IN COMPARABLE
CIRCUMSTANCES, INCLUDING THOSE WHICH MAKE GRANTS TO US UNIVERSITIES.
WE HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO DISCUSS THESE POINTS WITH DR. WENDORF
AS HE HAS NOT BEEN TO EMBASSY. HE AND DR. SAID ARE NOW ON
EXPEDITION IN DESERT.

E. WITH RESPECT TO SMI/SFCP APPROVAL PROCEDURES (REF A, PARA 6),
WE NOTE THAT EMB IS SUPPOSED TO BE INFORMED ON THREE OCCASIONS,

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A) WHEN US P.I. VISITS EGYPT TO DEVELOP PROPOSAL

B) WHEN EMB REQUESTED TO CONFIRM GOE APPROVAL AND

C) WHEN EMB REQUESTED TO DISPERSE FUNDS. IN PRACTICE, EMB REVIEW,
WHICH COULD TAKE PLACE AT (B) IS OFTEN HAMPERED BECAUSE WE HAVE
NOT RECEIVED PROPOSAL ITSELF. (WE DID HAVE WESTERN DESERT PROPOSAL).

SMI UNIVERSITY GRANTEES ARE NOT ALWAYS DILIGENT IN CONTACTING EMBASSY, AT APPROPRIATE POINTS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVINGN COPY OF EACH PROPOSAL FROM SMI AT SAME TIME WE ARE ASKED TO CONFIRM GOE APPROVAL; I.E. FINAL APPROVAL BY COLLABORATING GOE INSTITUTION.

4. LETTER FROM SCIATT TO SCHMERTZ ON THESE POINTS FOLLOWS.
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